

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4

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THE EVILS PREVALENT IN OUR DAY COURT DECREE TITHING AS PRACTICED BY MANY

A Sign That Jesus Is Coming Soon — To Know Them Is Indispensable

J. P. Hughes

"This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of themselves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholily, without natural affection, truebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God: Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof." 2 Tim. 3:1-5.

It is quite significant to note that before Paul gives us his panorama of the "last days," foretelling conditions and disclosing the evils that would exist in the human family, he said, "This know also." Among the many other important things taught and made known by the prophetic apostle, it is immediately evident that he wanted the evil attributes and depravity of men in the "last days" to be known also. This is a doctrine of the Bible that should be known, and as hundreds of years have passed since Paul disclosed the evils that would characterize the human family in the last days, and we can see that every one of them is now prevalent among men, surely it is time to broadcast this teaching and let people know that we are living in the LAST of the "last days."

There is a tendency among some who profess to be teachers of the Bible, to ignore this doctrine of Holy Writ and to intimidate those who expose the evils of the day, therefore, it is very essential that we have grace, wisdom and power to make it known that Paul's prophecy of the last days is being fulfilled. The pulpits of many churches are being filled by men who teach that the world is growing better, and that it is only the pessimist that preaches against bobbed hair, immodest dress, public bathing, dancing, and various other sins of the day. They say that the preacher is narrow-minded, pessimistic and fanatical, who teaches that the evils of the "last days" are prevalent and that the world is on the verge of a crisis.

For men to teach that the world is growing better and thereby uphold the existing evils of the human family, is only a scheme of the devil to deceive people and intimidate those who preach the full gospel and expose the evils of the present day. This of course makes the issue paramount, and the true servant of God must face the cannon balls of criticism and expose sin in every degree even though it makes those of his own household to be his foes. The time has come when those who preach the full gospel must suffer persecutions, not only as it comes from the world, but from those of his own household and members of the church. To preach Paul's doctrine of the "last days" and expose the evils of the present time will make the word "Amen" to be almost forgotten right in the church, and cause the fire of criticism to be kindled about the preacher. Brother and Sister A. who allow their daughter to have her hair bobbed and wear her dresses too short at both ends, will get their feelings hurt and complain that the pastor is radical because he says that the immodest fashions displayed by the fair sex is an evil of the "last days" that demoralizes the human family. There are many other subjects that the preacher of our day can use which will cause him to be more popular in the world and get more amens in the church, but Paul's doctrine of the "last days" is paramount at this time and must not be ignored. The test shows that the apostle wanted people to know that abominable evils would characterize the "last days", therefore, it is essential that the present day evils be exposed so people will know that the end is near.

The immodest, indecent dishonest, abominable practice of the human family as a visible sign of the soon coming of Jesus, therefore, we can readily see why Satan—the enemy of light and revelation—tries to conceal the evils of the day, and make people believe the world is growing better. The Bible shows that in the days when Jesus shall come again, conditions in the world will be as they were in the days of Noah, and we find that in Noah's day the people were in such darkness that they did not know the condition they were in till the flood

COURT DECREE

S. W. Latimer, General Overseer

I am sure our people are anxious to know the final chapter in the long drawn lawsuit. It came to a close April 8th. Printed below is the final decree. This was gotten up by the good efforts of the Chamber of Commerce of Cleveland, Tennessee, Col. Sullan Stewart and Charles H. Mayfield, Attorneys at law. We are sure that this decree, if adhered to, will be the final settlement, and a blessing to all.

We highly appreciate the interest of the good citizens of Cleveland, and also appreciate the kind words of Judge Stewart as he wishes for both sides great success, and God-speed in their work for the salvation of the world.

Church of God No. 1891.

vs. In the Chancery Court of Bradley County, Tennessee

A. J. Tomlinson, et al's.

The above cause came on this day before the Hon. T. L. Stewart, Chancellor, &c, for further hearing, upon the entire record and especially upon the petition of the Defendants, A. J. Tomlinson, et al's., presented in open Court, wherein, pursuant to the final decree heretofore entered in this cause, said Petitioners submit as a suitable prefix to the words CHURCH OF GOD for the purpose of distinguishing defendants and the organization presided over by A. J. Tomlinson as General Overseer, the word TOMLINSON, thereby adopting the name TOMLINSON CHURCH OF GOD, as the official name and title of said organization, and, it duly appearing from the statements and admissions of counsel in open Court that complainants have had due and timely notice of the presentation of said petition, and that the name herein submitted is satisfactory to all parties concerned; the prayer of said petition is granted, and it is accordingly ordered, adjudged and decreed that said name, TOMLINSON CHURCH OF GOD, be and the same is hereby assented, approved and decreed to be the official name and title of the church presided over by said A. J. Tomlinson as General Overseer.

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that Defendants and those standing with them be are hereby granted the right and privilege of, and are required and strictly enjoined to use and employ the said name, TOMLINSON CHURCH OF GOD, in all matters, transactions and dealings relating to the said organization and its affairs. It is not intended by the Court to prohibit the defendants, or the members of their organization, from professing that they are members of the early Church, designated and described in the Holy Scriptures, but any public utterance, by either verbal announcement or by written or printed words, shall be so coupled with the said prefix TOMLINSON, as to make it clear to all persons that they are not claiming that their organization is the one designated by the former decree of this Court as the Church of God.

The injunction heretofore granted against the use of the said name is in no manner abated or modified.

THE OLD ACCOUNT IS SETTLED

WILLIAMSBURG, Ky. (Feb. 6)—I want to praise the Lord thru the Evangel. When I was 14 years old I was converted; joined the Baptist church; lived in fear of the Lord all the way thru until about 18 years ago. A great burden fell on me, it seemed as tho I had never known the Lord. Every time an altar call was made I wanted to go, but would not. I went on this way several months. At last one morning in my home I fell on my face to settle the matter, and praise the Lord, I settled it. I had no control of myself, I had no control of my tongue. It seemed that there was a golden chain reaching down from heaven and I had hold of it. My burden was gone, I was a new creature. A sister in Christ.—Mattie Bull.

God Is Merciful

STATESBORO, Ga. (Feb. 7)—I want to praise the Lord this morning for what He has done for me. This is my first time to write to the paper. I do not belong to the Church of God but I do believe in it. I took the flu and got so serious I sent for the doctor. He came twice but I did not get any

I Am Still Praying

DUCK PORT, La.—Dear brothers and sisters, I am writing because I need your prayers. Pray that the dear Lord will draw me closer to Him, also for my baby. It has something growing on its face. I think it is a cancer, but pray that God will heal it. I once lived the life but have grown cold. I am still praying. We haven't any preacher over here at all, and no one seems to love the Lord very much. This is a terrible place. Pray that God will put it on the heart of someone to come here and preach holiness. They are welcome to preach in my home if nowhere else. Pray for God to heal my little one.—A sister, Sadie Williams.

better. I called on the saints to come and pray for me and they came and prayed, and I promised God if He would heal me I would tell poor sinners just what God would do. I can't praise God enough for what He has done. I ask the prayers of all the saints for me to get the Holy Ghost and live the rest of my life for God. I hope this will be a help to some poor sinner. Pray for me to stand true to my God and be ready when He comes for me. A sister in Christ.—Mrs. Emer Bragg, Rt. C.

SPECIAL NOTICE

No church has gone over the top up to the present time in our new drive. We realize that times are hard and our people have certainly proved themselves faithful in the past. We were embarrassed to call for this new drive, but after consulting the majority of the ministers it was their opinion that this new drive was necessary. We are anxious to finish paying off the loan and indemnity this year, and of course, as we have stated before, there are other debts that must be met in the near future.

The Lord has wonderfully blessed us in being able to meet the demands that are upon us and there are no debts pushing us just now, but in order that we may be able to meet every demand, we will be obliged to keep this before our people. We earnestly request the hearty cooperation of every pastor and church, hoping that many will soon be able to pay their quota thereby enabling those at headquarters to pay off such debts as may be necessary all along. Thanking you for your hearty cooperation in the past, we remain, your servant, S. W. Latimer, General Overseer.

"Will a man rob God? * * * Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings"

Mrs. Ellender Dalton

Dear Evangel readers, this Sunday morning finds me a shut-in, but not from the blessed presence and communion with our dear Savior who first loved us. I praise God for saving me from a life of sin, for planting my feet on the "Rock of Ages". Christ Jesus. He has established my goings, added me to the great Church of God, sanctified me by the blood, and put a new song in my mouth, even praises to His name. Bless His holy name!

The church built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Jesus Christ, the chief corner stone, is surely the persecuted way, but if God be for us, who can be against us? Christ said in Luke 6:22,23, "Blessed are ye, when men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you from their company, and shall reproach you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of man's sake. Rejoice ye in that day, and leap for joy: for, behold, your reward is great in heaven."

Christ was pure, unspotted, and lived a sinless life before the Father and the world, yet men reviled, persecuted and crucified Him for obeying and teaching the Word of God, and as He said, The servant is not greater than his master. If any man will live godly, he shall suffer persecutions. Dear saints, remember, as we take the Helmet of Salvation and the Sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God, and fight the good fight of faith, we need not look to men for approval, nor reputation, because our life is hid with Christ in God, and He will make even our enemies to be at peace with us. When we get on the State Highway of Holiness, we have to say goodbye to father, mother, brothers, sisters, wife, children and friends, that is, we must not compromise the words of eternal truth with their unbelief and disobedience, but come boldly to the throne of grace, standing firm for God's Word and His plan of salvation, working out our own salvation with fear and trembling. Fear not man who can only kill the body, but fear God, who can destroy both soul and body in hell.

Numbers of men and women have started in the holy way, but for the reproach, afflictions and persecutions, have grown cold and almost forgotten they were purged from their old sins. The pride of life, the lust of the eye, and the lust of the flesh, are not of the Father, but of the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. May God help us to deny vain reputation, take up the cross and endure the shame, for we shall reap if we faint not, because the work of the Lord is not in vain.

Another lingering cause to many is, paying tithes. Mal. 3:8 asked this question: "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? (And His answer was plain and pointed). In tithes and offerings." I believe all will agree that heaven is not made up of thieves and robbers, surely not, for Mal. 3:9 says, "Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation." Is it any wonder that the boll weevil, bean beetle, locust, caterpillars and many other destructive pests are destroying the fruits of our ground? Many of us remember when such things were not heard of, and remember well when our grounds, vines and fruit trees brought forth in such abundance we could hardly save and dispose of it. Scientific men are experimenting and studying hard to master the situation, but the wisdom of this world can't get at the fearful earthquakes, tornadoes and destructive storms that are wiping whole cities and towns into eternity without a minute's warning. Listen, Deut. 28:61 says, "Also every sickness and every plague, which is not written in the book of this law, them will the Lord bring upon thee, until thou be destroyed."

Some may wonder why all this judgment is coming on this world, I will let God's Word answer for itself: Even from the days of your father ye are gone away from mine ordinances, and have not kept them. Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me, but ye say wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. As sure as God sits on the throne, He requires one tenth of our income and one seventh of our time for His service. Christ said, Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's. Also, Paul, speaking by inspiration of the Holy Ghost, commanded to pay tribute to whom tribute is due, custom to whom custom, fear to whom fear, honor to whom honor.

Now it has always been customary for us to pay taxes every year, according to the amount of property we possess, for the upbuilding of our government. The law appoints a man to visit every citizen, not a part, but every one, to make assessment of every possession, and should one neglect to pay his or her assessment, the law will sell them out of a home to get the taxes. It is just the same with the tax we owe to God, to keep the Gospel and church government going, and if we refuse and rebel against paying our tithes, we will be sold out of a house and home at the judgment day, when it will be too late to buy another. The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, and we are only renters while we live on it, for as certain as we brought nothing into this world, we can take nothing out, and remember one tenth of all our increase is God's assessment for the ministry. Let's examine God's Law Book that will catch all the robbers and put them on the run to "owe no man anything but to love one another." Please go to Num. 18:21-31; "Behold I have given the children of Levi all the tenth in Israel for an inheritance, for their service, even the service of the tabernacle of the congregation. And ye shall eat it in every place, ye and your household: for it is your reward for your service in the tabernacle of the congregation." Neh. 10:35 tells us to bring the firstfruits of our cattle, dough and all manner of trees, wine, oil and the tithes of our ground into the House of our God (or as Mal. 3:10 calls it, the storehouse, or Neh. 10:38, treasure house) unto the priests that minister in the house of our God. Notice, God requires the firstfruits of what we make, that is, we must take the tenth of everything to God's house, the first thing we do, then what is left is ours to dispose of as we see fit. The lesson of Cain and Abel proves that God will have His part first, for He will not have respect to the culls, or our time offerings. In the process of time (when he got ready) Cain brought an offering of the ground unto the Lord (for he was a farmer), but God had not respect to it, but Abel (a cattle dealer) brought the firstlings of his flock, and God blessed him and his offering. Abel, as Christ said, sought first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and God opened the windows of Heaven and poured a rich blessing upon him.

Let's hear Solomon's (the wisest man's) exhortations on this subject. Prov. 3:9,10, "Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase: So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine." "Well," some have said, "paying tithes was done away with with the old law and order," but we will now turn to Christ and His followers for their faith and practice on this subject. Christ, as He was sending the twelve forth to preach, said, provide neither gold, nor silver, nor brass in your purses; nor scrip for your journey, neither two coats, neither shoes, nor yet staves: for the workman is worthy of his meat. Matt. 10:9, 10.

Christ, in speaking with the scribes and Pharisees about tithing before they were saved from sin, surely endorsed the tithing order after judgment, mercy and faith. Listen to Paul, "Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of the gospel." 1 Cor. 9:14; and Paul was as persistent and orderly in the ministry of finance as our business firms are today. The common laborer receives his wages at the last of every week, or two weeks at the longest, and Paul exhorted, Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him, that there be no gathering when I come. 1 Cor. 16:2.

The ministers of the gospel and their families have need of food and clothing, with the other necessary comforts of life, as do others, and (Please Look On Page Two)

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We invite all the workers to send us reports of interest from the battlefield, if nothing else, a postal card telling where you are this week. Help to make the Evangel a medium of information as well as a spiritual blessing.

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EDITORIALS

In the last issue of the Evangel we inclosed a Subscription Blank with those that had expired. Quite a few have sent in their renewal already, and we trust that each one will renew and get two other subscriptions to send in with yours, so that you may get it for one dollar.

We do not want to lose any from our list, but we do want the circulation to increase each week.

Brother H. L. Whittington came in the office this a. m., bringing with him thirty-one subscriptions and renewals to the Church of God Evangel. He and Brother Paulk are very active in working for the Evangel. I will soon give a report of the number they have sent in. Watch for the report, that you may know who is in the lead.

The District Convention held in the Church of God Auditorium April 5th to 7th was a great success. Brothers George Lemons, District Overseer, and H. N. Scoggins, State Overseer in charge.

Some who have been indebted to the Publishing House for a long time have begun paying, and they state that they will soon be able to settle all they owe. We certainly do appreciate this, and would be glad if everyone indebted to the House would settle soon.

The revival season is now on and many of the churches are making their arrangements and looking forward to a GREAT TIME!

No Disappointments In Heaven

FT. MYERS, Fla. (Feb. 6).—I praise the Lord for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the precious Holy Ghost. It is truly wonderful what God has done. He added me to the dear old Church of God, the pillar and ground of the truth. I am glad of a Bible experience, and praise the Lord for His love to me. I can never praise Him enough for the many wonderful things He has done for me. I feel good in my soul and body too. The Lord is a precious helper in time of need. I know my Redeemer liveth, bless His name! I praise the Lord for raising me from death's door nearly six years ago. He divinely healed my body and placed my feet on the highway of holiness. I was a nervous wreck when the Lord came to my rescue. I now enjoy good health and I give the Lord all the praise. The Lord has touched my body at different times since the miraculous healing of May 1923. I will relate one which happened recently. The Lord wonderfully restored my strength and I am doing my house-work and can walk a long distance with all ease. The Lord also healed my baby and my sister-in-law's baby of the flu the same day He healed me. He also wonderfully undertook for my husband and my sister-in-law the same day. Please pray that my husband will be saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Also pray for me, that I will obey God and be ready to go up in the Rapture to the Marriage Supper of the Lamb. I really want to go where Jesus is, for there will be no disappointments in Heaven.—Mrs. J. C. Sellers.

The Lord Is Working In Jamaica

A revival has just closed in Kingston. The Lord blessed. I can't say just how much, but we are sure that quite a lot of good has been done. S. A. Robertson from the mountains did most of the preaching. Several were saved, one baptized with the Holy Ghost, six followed the Lord in water baptism and six added to the church. There

RANGER DIST. CONVENTION

The Ranger District Convention convened at Ranger, Texas the 1st, 2d, and 3d of March. The first service, which was Friday night, began with music, singing and praying. Brother L. R. Winnegar gave the welcome address, after which several from other churches made a short response among whom was Sister Eva Drake from Brownfield, several hundred miles away. By this time we were all feeling very much at home and the presence of the Lord came down in our midst and there were praises rendered unto God in shouting, dancing, music and singing. It is the presence of our Lord and His smiles of approval upon His children that makes us feel at home wherever we may be.

At 8:30 Brother U. H. Corley, pastor at Desdemona gave an interesting address on, "The Strength of Zion." We were all made to realize the need of putting on new strength, courage and vim to be able to withstand the things that are coming upon the world in these last days. Before we can ever be able to do this we must become unjoined from the world.

Saturday we met at 10:00 a. m. and after praying and singing, Brother E. W. Williams, our State Overseer made a very needed and important talk on, "Some Things to be Remembered." Text, 2 Pet. 1:10. Many things were mentioned that are very necessary to have our pure minds stirred up by way of remembrance, lest we forget. It seems to be very easy for some people to forget some very important things, especially about the Church work, while on the other hand some less important things that they would be better off to forget, never can be forgotten. Many interesting things were said that we would like to mention if space would permit.

At 11:00 o'clock Brother G. G. Asher, pastor at Ranger, delivered a message on "Love." Text 1 John 2:10. Surely this is something that we all need more of, and as Brother Asher said, not "Puppy Love" but real brotherly love, that will stand the test.

Saturday night, 7:30 the service opened with songs, prayer and praises.

At 8:30 Brother C. H. Asher, pastor at Strawn, gave an address on, "Seek the Lord." Text, Isa. 55:6,7. Many are seeking health, happiness, money and pleasures of this world, but few are seeking God. Surely we see the need of seeking God while He may be found. Even we who know God need to seek His face continually. An altar call was given, several came to the altar to seek the Lord.

On Sunday morning the superintendents from each Sunday School represented gave a short talk on, "The Sunday School," which were enjoyed very much. At 11:00 o'clock Brother E. W. Williams made a talk on "The Need of the Hour," text St. John 12:27. Among the many things mentioned that are needed mostly were, the bearing of holiness fruit; government and order in the house of God; enforcement of law needed in order to have good government and order. Other things needed are, a zeal for godliness, efficient ministry, etc. At 2:00 o'clock we had the report of the churches on the Ranger district. Brother Williams stated that he believed we had a greater number of representatives in general than we had last year. Business plans were made to raise money for the State Tabernacle debt. We met again at 7:30 for the evening service and after singing, praying and praising God, Brother E. W. Williams brought an other inspiring message on "The Sound Mind." Text, Mark 14:72. An altar call was given, several came to the altar, crying out to God. We bade our friends good-bye, with a hope that we will all meet again with many others at our Annual State Camp Meeting in August, or else meet at the Great Camp Meeting with Jesus, which will go on and on forever.—Mrs. Fern Asher.

It Means Much to Serve The Lord

CROCKETT, Tex.—I am glad for Jesus and His great love and goodness this evening. Bless His great name! I find He is a present help in time of trouble. I have been in this good way two years and have a great desire to make Heaven my home. I find it means much to serve the Lord. We have prayed much for God to make a way for us to have a good leader here at our church, Hickory Grove. Now I am glad God hears and answers prayer. We have Brother Arthur Ball and his family with us. I feel that they are people of God. His brother and sisters are here in the Crockett District, at the other churches. They are great leaders in the church. There are a few saints who are still standing true for the Church of God here at Hickory Grove.—A sister in Christ, Emma Beard, Rt. B, Box 101.

are more to follow. I feel very much encouraged about the work at this time.

Will say to the dear saints in America and elsewhere, please don't fail to pray for the work here, and if the Lord leads to give of your means for the establishing of the work here, please don't fail to do so.—Yours in His cause, Z. R. Thomas, Kingston, Jamaica, B. W. I.

Tithing As Practiced By Many

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they need the tenth of our increase, their God-given wages, just as regularly as do other laborers. Will a man rob God?

Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of these my least, ye have done it unto me. When God calls and anoints a man to preach the Gospel, He says the laborer is worthy of his hire, and Paul said, Let every man walk in the calling wherein he is called, also NO man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier. 2 Tim. 2:4. Many faithful ministers have been forced out of the pulpit into material wage-earning for nothing less than the laymembers, co-workers neglecting God's payday, that keeps the gospel train on the rail. "My people shall be a willing people in the day of His power," and 2 Cor. 8:12-15. For if there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that he hath not. For I mean not that other men be eased, and ye burdened: But by equality, that now at this time your abundance may be a supply for their want, that their abundance also may be a supply for your want: that there may be equality: As it is written, He that had gathered much had nothing over; and he that had gathered little had no lack." And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that ye always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work. See 2 Cor. 9:8. Paul was lining the Church up to Mal. 3:10. Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse that there may be meat in mine house and prove me now herewith saith the God of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of Heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

The poor widow was not afraid to cast in her last mite and trust God for more, and though it was only one sixteenth of our English penny, yet Christ received it and blessed her good deed to be told as long as the world stands. Though she was poor in this world's goods, she was rich in faith toward God, doing what she could. Paul said, Let all things be done decently and in order, not to be slothful in business, but fervent in the Spirit. Let's search the Bible, be sanctified by the truth, get in Bible order which will help us not to rob God any longer.

We will notice Nehemiah (Neh. 13:10-13) as he begins a reformation in the house of God: "And I perceived that the portions of the Levites had not been given them: for the Levites and the singers, that did the work, were fled every one to his field. Then contended I with the rulers, and said, Why is the house of God forsaken? And I gathered them together, and set them in their place. Then brought all Judah the tithe of the corn and the new wine and the oil unto the treasures, Shemiah the priest, and Zadok the scribe, and of the Levites, Pedaiah: and next to them was Hanan the son of Zaccur, the son of Mattaniah: for they were counted faithful, and their office was to distribute unto their brethren." The Levites and the singers, that did the work, were fled every one to his field. They were forced to quit the work of the ministry and go to normal labor, for robbery of their just rights, as many have since, but Nehemiah as did Christ, cleansed the house of God, from a den of thieves, and brought again the vessels of the house of God, with meat offering and the frankincense in godly order. Then contended with the rulers and said, Why is the house of God forsaken? And gathered them together and set them in their place. The above is a good order and Bible authority for every local Church of God.

"And the Levites shall bring up the tithe of the tithes unto the house of our God, to the chambers, into the treasure house. * * * where are the vessels of the sanctuary, and the priests that minister and the porters, and the singers: and we will not forsake the house of God." Neh. 10:38,39. The twelve apostles didn't think it reason that they should leave the Word of God and serve tables, but commanded the brethren to look out several men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, and appoint them over the financial business that they might give themselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the Word. Acts 6:2-4.

Abraham's children paid tithes and he is the father of the faithful. If we be Abraham's children, we will pay our tithes, or be weighed in the balances and be found wanting. Dear readers, have we been robbing God on this highway of holiness? If so, let us pay up and not lag on behind, but get the old account settled and get back in the "old paths" wherein is the good way and find rest to our souls. Bear this in mind, "The good and obedient shall eat the fruit of the land."

Time Is Very Short

SILVER POINT, Tenn. (Feb. 8).—I praise God for what He has done for me. About a year ago the Lord saved me from sin, sanctified me by the blood of the Lamb and filled me with the Holy Ghost, and I am not one bit tired of the way. I want to see souls come to God. There are people here who do not believe in holiness, but I certainly do. I believe in this good

THE EVILS PREVALENT IN OUR DAY

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family in the last days. This shows that it is the evil practice of the human family that causes "perilous times" and that every condition of the age originated in the hearts of men. As we examine the analogy of the text we find that the condition known as "perilous times" is principally caused by selfishness and greed. "For men shall be lovers of themselves, covetous." To make this clearer, we will quote from the Syriac New Testament: "But this know thou, that in the latter days hard times will come, and men will be lovers of themselves and lovers of money." From this we learn that "hard times" will characterize the "last days" and that this condition is caused by men being selfish and possessing a love for money. This part of the text relates to the commercial status of the world and as we see ALL THESE THINGS that Jesus spoke of, we know that Paul's prophecy is being fulfilled. Jesus gave the commercial condition of the world as a sign of His coming when He referred to the days of Lot, and said, "So shall it be also in the days of the Son of man." (See Luke 17:26-28.) We notice that in referring to the days of Lot, Jesus said, "They bought, they sold," and would be doing the same when He comes again. Of course we understand that just to buy and sell is not evil, and is no special sign, if there is no covetousness, greed, or profiteering connected with it, but as the days of Lot are noted for evil, it is evident that it was the greed and profiteering of that day that Jesus compares with the days of His coming as a sign of the end of the world.

Let us cast our eyes upon the commercial world and see if our day corresponds with the days of Lot and Paul's picture of the "last days." Just think of the trading and profiteering that is going on at the present time. "Big business" and "get rich quick" is the cry everywhere, and every "big business" is trying to get all the wealth under its control. The money god is ruling the world and selfishness and greed is causing "hard times" among the honest working class of people. The finance of the world is controlled by a very few men who have made the dollar their god, and are possessed with the spirit of greed. Large banks are causing the smaller ones to fail so they can get more business for themselves. The "chain store" system is driving the smaller merchants out of business and the world's commerce is now in the hands of "big business." The monopolies are in control and at the rate the commercial world is going it won't be long till every commodity of life will be monopolized and in the hands of the syndicates.

Famines in divers places are included in ALL THESE THINGS that Jesus gave as the sign of the "last days," and as the word "famine" comes from a Greek word that signifies "destruction and want," we may be sure that this condition does not always arise because there is no money, or food supplies, but because of the evils of commerce. When all the money has been hoarded up by the rich, and the commodities of life are controlled by the monopolies, prices are so high that the poor with their limited amount of money cannot buy enough to supply their need, and in this respect there is famine in divers places today. Here in our own land, which is said to be the richest nation in the world, there are many today who are suffering from want of the necessary things of life. There are famine-stricken homes and communities in many places, and people are starving in a land of plenty, because men are "lovers of themselves and lovers of money." This is an age of selfishness and greed, and men will see the innocent suffer rather than disturb his bank roll. Surely the "last days" are here when men ARE what Paul said they would be.

The sign is visible the end is near. And Jesus our King will soon be here: The world will then be all His own, And men will reap what they have sown.

(To be continued)

Of Course They Spoke In Other Tongues

Brother S. C. Chambers opened fire on the enemy the last of February at Valdosta, Ga. and the Lord gave the victory. A number were saved and sanctified, and twelve received the Holy Ghost and of course they spoke in other tongues. Eight came into the church and ten were baptized in water. Two have received the Holy Ghost since.—J. J. Culpepper, Remerton, Ga.

old time salvation, thank God! I never get tired of praising God for what He has done for me. He healed my body several times. You know if we just let God have His way with us He will lead us over the top. If we are led by the Spirit, we are the Sons of God, so I am praying to be led by the Spirit at all times. I ask all the saints to pray for me that I will stay humble to the Lord till He comes. The more we do for the Lord, the more He will do for us. I don't want to miss that home in heaven. The time is short, so I want to be ready to go when He comes.—Salon Heron.

The Bible Teaches Tithing

PRATT CITY, Ala.—I confess to the Church of God because I failed to comply with all the teachings set forth by the Assembly. It has never been my desire to rebel against the teachings of the Church of God but I have neglected to pay tithes as regular as I should have, knowing that according to the teachings of the church every minister must pay tithes to retain license. Failing to pay tithes at all times has been caused by failing to report regularly, and not keeping in contact with the clerk and treasurer where my membership is so I could send the tithes. For this reason I have paid tithes to another church and sometimes failed to pay anything. Now I ask the church to forgive me for failing to pay tithes and failing to report to the church where my membership is as often as I should. I know that God has called me to preach His Word and I want to get out in His service with a clear conscience toward God and man so I will be useful in God's vineyard.—Charlie Gossett, 310 Alma Ave.

HE IS A FRIEND INDEED

BARGER, Tex. (Dec. 1928).—I want to sound a note of praise to-night for Jesus who died on the cross that I too might have this wonderful salvation free from all sin and shame. I am so glad for Jesus, who shed His precious blood that we might be sanctified. I am saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and added to the great Church of God. I love her. I have been with other kinds of holiness folks and worshipped and worked with them but have never seen the power of God as I have in His Church. I want to be a worthy member. I love the Lord and love His cause. I am so glad I ever found this way. I had a mother-in-law and father-in-law who prayed for me when I was in sin. I had a dear Christian mother whom I believe lived in all the light she had, and I believe she is in glory to-night. I believe she was a praying mother, tho I do not remember ever hearing her pray. She passed away when I was only thirteen, but I do thank God for her and for those who did remember me in prayer. I praise the Lord for His wonderful healing power. We have been trusting the Lord ever since we have been in this way and He has always healed us when we called on Him. He healed my little girl once who fell off a horse and hurt her shoulder; He healed my baby when he broke his leg. He could not walk for about two weeks or more, but we just trusted the Lord, and now you can't tell the leg from the other one, except by feeling it. He has healed in our home many times. My brother was in the hospital and was not expected to live. He was unsaved. When I got the message that he was not expected to live, we started for the hospital where he was—at Vernon, Texas. On our way our car got too hot and would not run, and while we were stopped there, I went across the road and got by a bush and there I fell on my face, calling on the Lord in his behalf. I got victory and went down the road praising God. When we reached Vernon that night, the nurse met me at the door and told me he was resting. Praise God! I know God did the work, and I mean to give Him the glory for it. The boy is here working today, God is God and He hears and answers prayer. I want all to pray for us.

We feel the call of the Lord. We have never been out but once until we came here. We went to Berrietta and two others were with us—Brother John Kile and wife. The Lord blessed us, (if we were little ones for Him). He healed one woman of cancer and one of gallstones. He saved souls, sanctified and baptized two or more with the precious Holy Ghost. We have worked some here, and have had Sister Mollie Wilson and Sister Poin-dexter with us. A few got to the Lord. We have no place in which to worship except in the home, but this seems to be a good place for a meeting. Anyone who would like to come here any time, we would be glad for you to come. We have a roomy house and can keep anyone who feels led to come to this place. Pray for husband, he has the flu.—Mrs. C. F. Meador.

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If God Be For Us, Who Can Be Against Us?

MARIETTA, Ohio (Dec. 31).—The Church of God at Marietta, with Brother Joel Stamper as pastor, has been led to take up an offering for the orphans. May the Lord bless our efforts and may it be used for the benefit of the fatherless and motherless ones whom God has placed in the charge of others, and that God in His own precious way will get glory out of it. We feel that God was in it, in putting it in the hearts of men and women to give, so we know His blessing will be upon it. We had a special meeting Christmas evening, in which we praised God for the gift of His Son Jesus to redeem this old world from sin.

Jesus, when He was preparing to leave this world, told His disciples He would send them the Comforter which is the precious Holy Ghost. I am truly glad it is real and abides in my soul, hallelujah! The amount of the offering was \$17.69. The Sunday School also is sending donations from different ones. We pray that God's richest blessings will be upon the dear little children, and the workers at headquarters, and that each of us and everyone of God's children may draw closer to Him than ever before, and that we all may have more of His love and more power; that we may put forth more effort to defeat the devil on every hand, who goes about as a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. O may we each and everyone stand true, steadfast and unmoved before our Lord. If God be for us, who can be against us.—Mrs. Lewis Pickering.

Launching Out In New Fields

ALLIAS, Ky. (Mar. 18).—We started the work up at this place Sunday, Dec. 9th, 1928, and have been meeting each Sunday afternoon at 2:00 p. m. also Tuesday and Friday nights at 7:00 p. m. We have good attendance. This work is among the "no church" people, and the tide is leaning our way. I am assisted by Brother Beel and the other saints from Christopher and Haysler churches. We surely need your prayers and any brother or sister passing, we would like for them to stop over any time. It looks as though we will have a church set in order within a few weeks, the prospects are good. We have service in what is known as Walkers Town Theatre. Your brother in Christ.—Eulless J. Gross.

A Little Talk With Jesus Makes It Right

ARCADIA, S. C. (Dec. 22).—Just a few lines by way of testimony. I am glad I can still report victory in Jesus' name, saved by the power of God, sanctified by the blood of the Lamb that was slain on the rugged cross of Calvary and baptized with the sweet, walking, talking, leaping, jumping Holy Ghost, and added to the dear old Church of God, and encouraged to go all the way with my Lord. Tho the way may sometimes look dreary yet we know that a little talk with Jesus makes it right. I desire the prayers of all God's children, that we may stand true to the end and be at our best for God. We have prayer meeting started in the homes near us and have prayer meeting most every night. Pray much for the service here, that it may flourish, and that our little church may grow and be as a city set on a hill that cannot be hid. We have only ten members. Pray that by the end of the Assembly year we may have fifty, and them on fire for God. Your sister, M. C. Ward.

Had Great Victory

HARRIMAN, Tenn. (Mar. 18).—We have just closed a revival meeting at Harriman, Tenn. with great victory. There were eleven saved, about nine sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and six came in the church. The Lord surely did bless. We had large crowds. We had some help from Chattanooga—Sister Dora Lee, Sister Scott and Sister Duckett. Sister Lee did some of the preaching, and the Lord wonderfully blessed her. Brother Chambers surely was faithful in the meeting. We covet your prayers for the church at Harriman.—Frank Swaggerty, 826 Georgia St., Harriman Tenn.

Interesting Letters From Bible Training School

T. S. Payne, Supt. J. H. Walker, Asst.
CLEVELAND, TENNESSEE

I greatly appreciate the privilege of making known my opinion of the Bible Training School, although I am not a student. It is the best school of its kind in the world. The rules are just right and the instructors are as good as can be procured. I am already making preparations to be here next year as a student.—C. M. Truesdell, Ranger, Tex.

I am very thankful for the privilege of attending school two terms. I have learned many things that have been of great help to me. I would like to return next year.—A student from Tennessee, Delzie Murray.

I appreciate the terms spent in B. T. S. Our teachers have very faithfully performed their duties toward us. As I graduate this year I won't be back next term, but remember I love the dear Bible School, and my prayers are for its interest.—Iredell Walker, Holly Ridge, La.

I want to say a few words to express my appreciation for the Bible School. I feel more than repaid for attending school this year, and I wish the school success next term.—Larue Cleland, Rt. 4, Box 905, Montebello, Calif.

I am praising the Lord for salvation this morning, and for his many good blessings to me while here in Bible School. I want all the good saints to pray for me, that I may hold out faithful to the end. Arthur Keller, Cleveland, Tenn.

I am thankful for another term of Bible School and for the patient and efficient service rendered by Brother Payne and Brother Walker. The B. T. S. is a power house for the Church of God, so come on, let's prepare to fight the devil.—A student, Daniel Cupp, Box 2511, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

Just a few words to show my appreciation to all the students and the teachers. I do thank God for the privilege of being in Bible School.—A student, Ragna Remme, Ryder, N. Dak.

There are thanks in my heart for my being present in the 1928-29 term of Bible School. After April 12th this term will be in the past, but the memory will linger still, of the students and teachers. Each one, allow me to say, "God bless you and farewell."—A student, F. J. Rudessil.

I want to praise the Lord for this great opportunity of attending B. T. S. Truly I can say, I don't regret neither time nor money spent here in school, but expect to be here next term, if the Lord is willing.—A student, Curtis Young, Bauxite, Ark.

I want to thank the Lord for the privilege of attending Bible School this term. Never will I regret the time spent in school. I expect to return next year by the Lord's help. Pray for me, that I will stand true to the Lord.—Roy Cockerell, Weatherford, Tex.

Words fail to express my love and appreciation for the Bible School with its splendid teachers and customs.—Gertrude Kilby, Persimmon, Ga.

I am glad to highly recommend the Bible School to you who want to better equip yourselves for the harvest field.—Your brother, Wm. E. Brown, Ohio.

I am glad I attended Bible School this term. I can never tell now much I have appreciated my teachers. I hope to return next term. Just a contented student from a coronated school, Ralph Tedder, Box 2511, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

I am glad for the opportunity to write a few words to express my appreciation for the Bible School and also for my good and faithful teachers.—Ross Hill, 901 Broadway St., Sweetwater, Tex.

God has wonderfully blessed me while here in Bible School. I hope to attend next term.—A student, W. R. Cockroft, Perry, Fla.

I want to praise God for the good Bible Training School. I thank God for men like Brother Payne and Brother Walker. I am coming back again if the Lord is willing.—Eddie Arnold, Grimesland, N. C.

I am one of the number of students that really and truly have fallen in love with this school. I am already looking forward to the next term. I appreciate the teachers, students and the school.—A student, Clara O. Butler, Plaza, N. Dak.

I appreciate being in Bible School another term. The time I've spent here has been well spent. I love and appreciate the good teachers and each student. I'm hoping to be back next year. Pray for me.—Ruby Truesdell, Ranger, Tex.

We are nearing the close of another Bible School year and I will bid all of you adieu until we meet again. I have enjoyed being in Bible School this year. It will be a sad time when we will all have to part to go to our homes or fields of labor. My prayer is that God will bless in every department of the work.—Your sister, Nina Mary Watts, 2604 26th St., Cleveland, Tenn.

I don't have words to express my gratitude and love toward the school for the help I have received while here. I love the school, the pupils, and especially the teachers, Brother Payne and Brother Walker, for their interest in our behalf.—Newton Spurgeon, Ryder, N. Dak.

I want to express my gratitude for the privilege of attending the Bible School. I have enjoyed the past six months here in Cleveland, and appreciate the good service rendered by our teachers.—Otha Anderson, Electra, Tex.

I wish to express my high appreciation for having the privilege of spending two terms in this good school. Don't forget to meet me back here at the beginning of the next term.—T. L. Willix, Andrews, N. C.

I gratefully appreciate the two terms the Lord has permitted me to attend B. T. S. I thank our teachers for the way they have so faithfully rendered their very best service. Being one of the number to graduate, I ask you to pray for me, that whatever step I take in this life, the blessings of God will rest upon me.—Eva L. Green, Cortez, Fla.

I am glad for the privilege of writing to the Evangel to show my appreciation for the B. T. S. and our wonderful teachers. They have been so faithful to help us and are surely men of God. Pray for me that I might be a soul winner and worker for Christ.—Your brother in the Lord, Willie Goins.

I want to praise the Lord for the opportunity of attending Bible Training School this past term.—Maude McWhorter, 754 Ponders Ave., Atlanta, Ga.

I am glad for another opportunity of being here in Bible School. It is a wonderful place to be, where Jesus is always near, with His blessings so full and free.—Lois McWhorter, 754 Ponders Ave., Atlanta, Ga.

I wish to express my appreciation to my teachers. I love them, and have been greatly benefited in coming to this Bible School.—A student, Marvin Mortenson, Ryder, N. Dak.

I wish to express my appreciation to the teachers and students of this school. I feel that the time has been well spent and by the help of the Lord, I expect to get back next year.—Richard S. Murray, Somerset, Pa.

I just want to say a few words thru the Evangel and express my appreciation for the privilege of attending this term of Bible School.—Ben Jones, Spring Place, Ga. Rt. 2.

I am indeed glad to have had the privilege of attending Bible School three terms. I have appreciated the students and our teachers, also the rules of the school.—One who loves the Lord and the Bible School, Cleo Wood, Box 1057, Electra, Tex.

I praise God this evening for the great opportunity of being numbered with the body of students this term. I want the knowledge obtained to be a blessing to others.—Ora White, 2918 Knights Ave., Tampa, Fla.

It is with a grateful heart that I express my appreciation for this great school and its teachers, and for the privilege of being here this term.—Marius Berntsen, Epworth, N. Dak.

Six months have seemed but a few days. Truly I can say that I have enjoyed my stay in B. T. S. I have learned many things and there are many more to learn. Words can't express my heartfelt thanks and appreciation for my teachers and the school. I intend to be back next year.—Sallie Jones, Crystal River, Fla.

I wish to extend my gratitude to God for permitting me to attend the

last three months of Bible School. They have been a blessing to me. Truly we appreciate our teachers. We trust that they will hold the same position another term.—Morris Wiggins, Olustee, Fla.

We are going forth to do our best in the service of our Master. We'll boost the Bible School and be back next term, D. V.—Mary Goughnour, Harrisburg, Rd., N.E.R.D. No. 3, Canton, Ohio.

A few more days, then vacation from the dear Bible School we appreciate so much. I appreciate my teachers, also the fellowship of the students. Meet me in Bible School next term.—Beatrice Douglas, High Spgs., Fla.

I wish to express my thanks to my many friends and to the faculty of this Bible School for their help and kindness to me. I certainly have enjoyed the school.—A student, Charles E. Carroll, Riviera, Fla.

I thank the Lord for the privilege of writing a few words in the Evangel to express my appreciation for being in B. T. S., also for the good teachers.—A brother in Christ, Paris C. Schaberg, Rt. 3, Box 7, Plaza, N. Dak.

I wish to express my appreciation for the Bible School. Truly it has been a blessing to me. I wish to thank the teachers for the interest they have shown toward the students. I love the school and expect to return next year.—A student, Ruby Clark, Poplar Creek, Miss., Rt. 1.

This is my first time to attend Bible School, but I certainly have enjoyed it. I love the teachers and students and expect to return next term.—Wilma Thomas, Ft. Myers, Fla.

I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for the Bible School and the many friends I have gained in Cleveland. If we never meet on earth again may we all meet in Heaven.—A sister in Christ, Annie Hill, 901 Broadway St., Sweetwater, Tex.

This, my first term in B. T. S., has been six months of pleasant preparation for things to come. I, as well as others, highly appreciate the patient, devoted service and excellent instructions of our teachers.—D. L. Lemons.

I am glad that I have had the grand privilege of spending another term in Bible School. I wish to express my appreciation to Brother Payne and Brother Walker for the service they have rendered.—A student, Edwin Inches, Ryder, N. Dak.

I praise God for an opportunity to attend B. T. S. this term. I can not express my appreciation and gratitude to Brother Payne and Brother Walker for their faithful service.—Willie Hines, 720 So. 7th St., Louisville, Ky.

I take pleasure in saying a few words in behalf of the Bible School. I have found it to be a wonderful place. I have learned to love the students and the people of Cleveland whom I met during my stay here.—Your sister in Christ, Mamie Hill, 901 Broadway St., Sweetwater, Tex.

I am glad for the privilege of having attended the Bible School. I feel like my time has been well spent.—Your brother, G. D. McNair, McDonald, Miss.

I praise God for the Bible School. I feel that the time has not been lost, and I expect to be here next term if the Lord is willing.—Glen Camp, Sumner, Fla.

I wish to express my appreciation for being permitted to attend Bible School this term. I wish to say, I appreciate the students and the good work of our teachers.—Imogene Walter, R. F. D. No. 7, Portland, Ind.

I can truthfully say that I have enjoyed the days spent in Bible School. I am very glad that I have had the privilege of attending this term of school. I love the school and appreciate our good teachers who have been so faithful.—Ora Mae Ruff, Mobeetie, Tex.

I am thanking God for a school like this one. It is a good place to learn more about the Word of God. My desire is to be in school next term. Pray for me.—Nellie M. Moore, 602 E. 26th St., Cleveland, Tex.

"Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." Rev. 2:10b. This is my aim. Truly a boy or girl desiring more of God's Word will do well to come to this school and be instructed by our able teachers, Brother Payne and Brother Walker.—Verle E. Sears, Sunfield, Mich.

I have enjoyed attending this term of Bible School. Truly I have learned to love my teachers and fellow students very dearly. I have also found this a good place to be and wish to return again next term.—Bessie Thomas, Ft. Myers, Fla.

I truly am grateful for this school, its government and instructors. Words can't express how I have appreciated being here the past two terms.—Alva Mae McClure, 605 N. W. 12th St. Ft. Worth, Tex.

Realize The Need of Government

HAMILTON, O. (Jan. 11, 1929)—I want to praise God this morning for being saved, sanctified and baptized with the precious Holy Ghost. I want to praise God that in the summer of 1908 God wonderfully saved me from sin and a little later on gloriously sanctified me, when the blood was applied to my soul, and all the desire for this old world was taken out, and along about this time I heard of the baptism of the Holy Ghost and read in the Word of God and saw it was not only given to the apostles and saints in the early church, but was promised to as many as believed. So I saw it was for me and I began to pray and seek God for this wonderful blessing and at the end of 11 mos. of praying and holding on to God, on the 7th day of May, 1911 the good Holy Ghost came into my heart and began to speak thru me in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance, and I am still praising God this morning that way down here in 1929, almost eighteen years from that time, I still have that Great Comforter dwelling in my heart. Right after I received the Holy Ghost God called me to preach His Gospel to this lost world. At that time I knew nothing about the Church of God and Her teachings, but I did my best to preach the Word of God in its purity, and have been able to see many precious souls saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and healed. I have always stood against organization, as I thought that was all man-made, but God saw I was honest in my heart, and while I was against organization, I saw in the Word of God, rules and governments that we Free Pentecostal people were not living up to, and as I saw so many of the dear children of God going after the ways of the world that Great Spirit of God would move upon me and I would be bound to lift up the standard of God's precious truth against such, inasmuch that it brought great persecutions on me from the professing Christians. I saw where Paul dealt with folks who lived crooked and gave command to the different churches along those lines and I preached it that we should deal with such and let the world see we did not fellowship such, and so the folks turned me down, and last June God sent Brother Wilson, a dear man of God from Middletown, O. to Hamilton and he opened up a revival and my wife and son, who both had the blessing, began going, and came back telling what a great time they were having and how souls were being blest and asked me to go. But I said if I went they would preach on tithes and I would not go back any more. The meeting had been going on for three weeks the night I went, and he had never preached on tithes and sure enough God gave him a message that night on "paying tithes" and if I could have gotten my hat without causing a disturbance I would have gone home, but I praise God with all my heart that I stayed thru the service, and instead of staying away the next night, I could hardly wait till the time to go, and a few nights later he preached on the government of the Church and I saw right then that instead of the church binding people up and making it hard for them, as I had been led to believe, that they were preaching the very thing I had seen in the Word of God and was having to suffer for this very reason at that time, and so I took my Bible and went to the Lord in prayer. I always want to be sure before I move and after four months of praying and studying the Word of God I took fellowship with the dear old Church of God, for I always believed in the whole Bible rightly divided, so I have been duly examined and am waiting now for my papers, to enter into the ministry of the old Church of God. I ask all the saints everywhere to pray for me, and anyone desiring to correspond with me can reach me at the address given below. With love, I am yours for Jesus and lost souls.—T. J. Crank, 122 Linden St., Hamilton, Ohio.

The obituary which appeared in the paper under the name of "GEORGE" should have been "GEARY." The obituary was written for Roche Geary.

I will help some one in tent meetings, if my service is desired. Let me know if anyone desires my help.—H. D. McSwain, Sargent, Ga.

There will be home coming day at the Church of God in East Chattanooga, Tenn. on the first Sunday in May. We are expecting this to be a great day, both spiritually and financially. We are having to do some plumbing work at the parsonage and church, also there are some notes coming due on the parsonage and we want to be able to make a nice payment on them. We are asking that every member give the price of a day's work by the 1st Sunday in May. If you cannot come, please send in the amount of a day's work, as we want to make this a one hundred per cent drive. By so doing we will be able to meet all our obligations and make a nice payment on the parsonage. This drive is now on and some are already coming in with their day's work. Brother King was the first man to bring in his day's work, and I said there will not be another member that can offer an excuse, for Brother King is not able to work and has not been for five or six years, but he got some little books and went about over town and sold them and brought the proceeds in to the church, which amounted to \$2.00. We shall look for you on the first Sunday of May, also your day's work, not only this, but we are expecting the presence of the Lord to be with us. We will observe the Lord's Supper and have feet washing. Don't forget the day. Thy brother.—E. M. Ellis, pastor, 2315 N. Chamberlain Ave., East Chattanooga, Tenn.

Our District Convention will be held April 21st three miles west of Crockett, Tex. at Allbrights Chapel on the Santone Highway. We are expecting our State Overseer and others to be with us. Come over and help us.—J. L. Ball, Crockett, Texas.

We have rented a large hall at Thomaston, Maine, and expect to start a revival the first Sunday in May, the 5th. We desire the prayers of the

HE GIVETH LIFE EVERLASTING

SARGENT, Ga. (Jan. 3)—I am writing these few lines in praise to the God who loves us. I thank Him for His love to the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Jesus is my healer and Savior, glory to God; I want to do more this year for Him than I ever have. I thank the Lord for the Church of God Evangel, and for the good testimonies in it. Pray for me.—H. D. McSwain.

STILL HAVE MY FIRST LOVE

ELDORADO, Ill. (Feb. 2)—I promised the Lord if He would heal me I would testify thru the Evangel. I love to pay my vows to God, and am very thankful this morning for full salvation. I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, trust God for the healing of my body and belong to the dear Church of God. He has healed me so many times. I still have my first love, and intend to see the end of a Christian life by Jesus' help. I pray God will save lost men and women before it is too late. Pray for me.—D. Totarc.

NOTICES & SPECIALS

To the pastors and churches in Miss.

Doubtless you have read in the Evangel that there is another dollar drive on, to lift the indebtedness at headquarters. So dear brethren and sisters in Mississippi, let us all rally our forces again and raise our quota of one dollar per member, which is a small amount for each one, and will relieve our brethren at headquarters of this load of debt and when we go to the Assembly this year we can do our shouting in a building free from debt, so come on Missisippians, I am counting on you. Your brother.—E. B. Culpepper, Overseer of Mississippi.

The obituary which appeared in the paper under the name of "GEORGE" should have been "GEARY." The obituary was written for Roche Geary.

I will help some one in tent meetings, if my service is desired. Let me know if anyone desires my help.—H. D. McSwain, Sargent, Ga.

There will be home coming day at the Church of God in East Chattanooga, Tenn. on the first Sunday in May. We are expecting this to be a great day, both spiritually and financially. We are having to do some plumbing work at the parsonage and church, also there are some notes coming due on the parsonage and we want to be able to make a nice payment on them. We are asking that every member give the price of a day's work by the 1st Sunday in May. If you cannot come, please send in the amount of a day's work, as we want to make this a one hundred per cent drive. By so doing we will be able to meet all our obligations and make a nice payment on the parsonage. This drive is now on and some are already coming in with their day's work. Brother King was the first man to bring in his day's work, and I said there will not be another member that can offer an excuse, for Brother King is not able to work and has not been for five or six years, but he got some little books and went about over town and sold them and brought the proceeds in to the church, which amounted to \$2.00. We shall look for you on the first Sunday of May, also your day's work, not only this, but we are expecting the presence of the Lord to be with us. We will observe the Lord's Supper and have feet washing. Don't forget the day. Thy brother.—E. M. Ellis, pastor, 2315 N. Chamberlain Ave., East Chattanooga, Tenn.

Our District Convention will be held April 21st three miles west of Crockett, Tex. at Allbrights Chapel on the Santone Highway. We are expecting our State Overseer and others to be with us. Come over and help us.—J. L. Ball, Crockett, Texas.

We have rented a large hall at Thomaston, Maine, and expect to start a revival the first Sunday in May, the 5th. We desire the prayers of the

Church of God everywhere that God will give us souls for our hire. This is a new field and much in need of the gospel. If anyone feels led to come and help us, we will gladly welcome you and assure you of plenty to do for the Master.—Your sister in Christ, Florida Brown, 100 Main St., Thomaston, Me.

To the Jesup District: Brother Leroy Jerninking has been appointed as district superintendent of Sunday Schools. Any place needing his help, notify him. His address is Rt. 1, Odum, Ga. He will be glad to aid you in any way he can. All Sunday Schools should come up with the ruling of the Assembly, and tithes their collections, sending the tithes to Brother Jerninking to be used to supply new schools with literature.—C. A. Culpepper, District Overseer.

Malissie H. Bowman, of South Lebanon, Ohio sent in \$9.30 for the Sunday School at South Lebanon, O., February 28th. This was overlooked, and left out of the March orphanage report.

To the Churches of God in the Louisville and Salem District: As our State Overseer, Brother G. A. Fore, has appointed me District Sunday School Superintendent and District Treasurer for the Louisville and Salem Districts, I would like to hear from every church in each district that has a Sunday School superintendent, so please write me and should there be a church that has no Sunday School I would like to get in touch with the people. I hope the superintendents will see that the Sunday School offerings are tithed and sent in to the treasury, as was passed upon at the Assembly, so we can arrange Sunday Schools in new places and keep the good work going on. This far I have received tithes from only one church, and we are beginning on the third quarter since the Assembly. Of course it has taken some time to get started out on the tithing of the Sunday School money, but I hope every church will send in their report and the tithes this month, so we can begin spreading out and organizing new Sunday Schools. We know it takes money to do this, so let everyone be a worker and a giver in this good work and see what we can do in the service of the Lord. Let everyone put their shoulder to the wheel and do all we can. God wants our best, and unless we do our best, He will not be pleased with us. My heart is in the work and I want to visit each church in both districts just as soon as possible. Pray for me, Your brother in the Lord.—Robert L. Ayers, Camp Taylor, Ky.

Wanted a Church of God preacher that can speak Spanish for a work in Ft. Worth, Tex. Transportation paid. For further information, correspond with S. Thornton, Tarrant Co., Bldg. Loan Association, Ft. Worth, Tex.

REQUESTS

Please have a special prayer for my sister, Mrs. Alice Randall that she may be healed. Also pray for the healing of my body.—Miss May McAllister, Eupora, Miss.

Pray for me that the Lord will fill me with the Holy Ghost. I want all who read this to pray a special prayer for me that the Lord will heal me.

I know He can and will heal, if we only trust Him. Pray for me, that I will have more faith and will do the Lord's will at all times. Your sister in Christ.—Mrs. Isabell Mills, Rt. 1, Westville, S. C.

I thank the Lord for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost. I also thank Him for His healing power. Mother had the headache the other night and I asked God to heal her and she said she felt better, but is not completely healed. Pray that her health will be restored, also pray for me, that I may do the Lord's will.—Your sister in Christ, Miss Doshey Phillips.

I praise the Lord for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost. I thank Him for healing me of some kind of spells, but I am having chills. Please pray for me to be healed.—Your humble sister, Mrs. Sarah Lindley.

Loves the Church

EASLEY, S. C. (Jan. 15)—I want to thank the Lord for healing husband of a severe cough sometime ago. I promised the Lord if He would heal him I would testify thru the Evangel. I also want to praise His good name for healing me of a very bad sore throat. I could scarcely swallow at all.

I love the Church of God, of which my husband and I are members at Anderson, S. C. Brother G. B. Langford is our pastor this year and we love him and his wife. Please pray that the Lord will bless their labor this year. I want the saints to pray for me that this year may be a great year for me. I want the Holy Ghost and want to be a bright and shining light for the Lord. I've requested prayer before, but failed to get victory. I want the Lord to have His way with me. I am not well at present, pray that I may be healed. May God bless the Church everywhere is my prayer. Your sister in Jesus.—Addie Dickson.

He's Coming Again

RED BAY, Ala. (Jan. 11)—I want to praise the Lord for the Holy Ghost which abides now. I want to see Jesus when He comes again, bless His dear name! I want to praise Him for healing me this week of the flu. I am trusting the Lord for my body. I am so glad that I ever learned to love Jesus. I am only twelve years old, but I belong to the Church of God.—Flora Anderson.

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HIS PROMISES ARE SURE

REE, N. Dak. (Jan. 16)—I want to sound a note of praise to the Great God who gave His only begotten Son to die for the sins of this world, how He went on the cross of Calvary where His precious blood was spilled, that I might be cleansed from all unrighteousness. Bless His Holy Name!

I want to thank Him for what He has done for me, for His promises are true, and with His stripes we are healed. My little boy was taken sick. He could not sleep at nights because his fever was so high. I called for the Great Physician from on high. He came to my rescue, glory to God! For He understands all things. I felt weak but thank God He gave me faith to rebuke the disease in Jesus' name. Then the little child rested from that hour. I need the prayers of each saint that knows the worth of prayer. My husband is not saved and it is a hard life for me. Pray that I may stand true to the end, and be ready to go when He calls me from this earth. An humble Indian sister.—Mable Snow Bird.

Lay Up Treasures In Heaven

AUGUSTA, W. Va.—I am praising God for His healing power. I promised Him if He would heal me so that I could sleep I would testify to His power. It was four months that I could not sleep until about four o'clock in the morning. I used two doctors for quite a while, but still I was unable to sleep but very little. I had three preachers to pray for me and anoint me with oil, and I sent a handkerchief to the Assembly to be prayed for and anointed, and when I received the handkerchief my son laid it on me and prayed for me and I went to bed that night and slept good and have been sleeping good ever since. At one time it looked as though I would be in eternity before this year. But I am yet here and I am going to hold on to God's unchanging hand, and praise Him as long as I have breath to breathe, or a hand to hold up toward heaven. The Evangel is always food to my soul. I am never too busy to read the Evangel when it comes, for it is food to my soul. I am never too busy to read the good testimonies and soul-stirring articles contained in its columns. I have a great determination to do God's blessed will at all times and make heaven my home. I realize if we miss the joys of heaven's bliss that we have missed it all. I want to lay up treasures in heaven where there will be no thieves to steal, and where the treasures will perish not with using. I ask an interest in the prayers of all the good saints that I may regain my strength and that I may be sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in other tongues, according to Acts 2:4. Please pray for my family that we will be a shining light for Christ Jesus. Your sister.—Maud Cupp.

READY TO MEET HIM IN THE AIR

DIABLOCK, Ky. (Jan. 29)—I want to witness for the Lord this evening thru the little paper I love so well, as I haven't had the privilege of attending church very much this winter on account of sickness, but I am still thanking and praising Him for victory over sin. I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. I want to thank the Lord for healing me. About two weeks ago I was suffering very badly with pains and I could not walk when I would get up. I laid the Evangel on in the name of the Lord and the pain left and I can't begin to praise Him for His wonderful healing power. I was very ill with flu and other troubles. A few days ago my husband had the saints to come over and pray for me, and the Lord healed me, and I mean to press the battle on by His help. It surely won't be long till Jesus shall come, and I want to meet Him in the air when He comes after His Church without spot or wrinkle. It surely takes living a pure and a clean life every day, and I am trying to live that kind of a life every day for I have some loved ones that have gone on to be with Jesus that I want to see again. I know if I don't live right I will never see them again. I do want to see the dear One that gave His precious life for me. I earnestly desire your prayers that I will always be just what the Lord wants me to be, and be ready when He comes or calls for me.—Rebecca Dixon.

WALKING IN HIS FOOTSTEPS

PPRINCESS ANNE, Md.—I want to praise the Lord thru the little paper for His goodness unto me. Almost eight years ago He saved, sanctified and baptized me with the blessed Holy Ghost. Each day I feel more like going on in this straight and narrow path. I praise Him for His wonderful healing power. He has healed us many times of different diseases. I have nervous indigestion, and the

VICTORY CAME

SYLACAUGA, Ala. (Feb. 1)—I am praising God for good old time salvation. I am glad I am still saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and divinely healed. I have had the flu. I had a burning fever for three days, but I called for the saints. It seemed like I could not live. I thought I was going home one afternoon, but some of the saints came in and prayed for me. They prayed two or three times a day. At last we had the church to come and they held on to God until victory came, and I was healed. I am praising God this morning thru the Evangel for it all. I am glad that He is mine, and I am His. I feel that I can say, with David, He is the rock of my salvation, my strong and mighty tower. A very present help in time of trouble and need. He health all our diseases and forgiveth all our iniquities, bless His name! I am glad that I learned to trust God for both soul and body. I want all who read this to pray for me to be humble and true. I want to live a life hid away in Christ.—Emma Newman, 47 Central Ave.

Not Long to Work

TAMPA, Fla. (Jan. 2)—I want to sound a bugle blast of thanks to God, for all His blessings, a few of which I will name. First, I praise Him for this great salvation, and for Jesus, who died to give it. I praise Him for the blood that sanctifies and the blessed baptism of the Holy Ghost, which I received twenty years ago, and for His power to heal. He has healed my body for eighteen years. Glory to His great name! I praise Him for the desire to go on with Him to the end and meet Him on the happy shore.

Second, I thank Him for the Church of God, the pillar and ground of the truth. It satisfies me, for I believe in real holiness in this present life, and I long for all the saints to be united, that they may be of the same mind; preach, live, and act holiness, that there be no divisions among us. It is 'pressing on' that brings union. If some run down into Egypt while others are marching on, the ranks are broken. Come, saints, let's line up and keep step and stay on the firing line till Jesus comes.

Third I praise the Lord for the Evangel. It is such a great feast. When I see it in the mail box I stop everything and read it every bit. I wish it was larger still. The good testimonies and sound doctrine strengthen the inner man and encourages us on the way. I tell you what I do when I see the prayer list for the sick etc. I go down before God and call each one by name to Him for I know His ears are ever open to our cries. O if you want a feast with our Lord, do this. You surely know they need help or they would not have sent in their names. And then a prayer for the orphans and that work, and indeed for all the Evangel work. O, let us stay on our knees this year—there is darkness and sin, sickness and death everywhere! Surely we are nearing the end—not long to work. Let us be occupying the place He puts us, when He comes. We surely need to get down in humility for this lost world; tell it out, everywhere, be faithful. Don't let your candlestick be removed, don't let some more faithful get your crown. Let our watchword "be faithful" wave high over us thru the year of 1929, and God will reward and we will reap a harvest of souls for Him.

Be a faithful man and fear God.

Neh. 7:2.

Be a faithful and good servant.

Matt. 25:21.

Be faithful to God's commandment.

Ps. 119:6.

Be faithful to your friends.

Prov. 27:6.

Be one of those who are faithful in Israel. 2 Sam. 20:19.

Be thou faithful unto death.

Rev. 2:10.

Be diligent in business. The Lord's work is too slack some times. Wake up, O arouse, ye weary ones, Christ will give us strength and courage. I feel that every church should have a consecration service for deeper consecration for this year's work before us—a special service. You know some seem to think we are well able, but we had better examine ourselves. The enemy is awake, and is at work. God bless and help us, is my prayer.—Rosa B. Murphy.

Lord always comes to my rescue. He healed my children and myself of measles. We live so far from the church and the roads are so bad we cannot get to go to church often in winter and I surely do miss the services. I praise the Lord for His goodness and kindness to me. I want to get closer to Him each day and walk in His footsteps because Jesus is coming soon and I surely do want to be ready when He comes or calls. Pray for me.—Mrs. H. J. Long.

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OBITUARIES

BOYLES

On Saturday night, February 2, 1929, the death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister G. R. Boyles of Elkins W. Va. and claimed their infant son Melvin Boyles, age eight months and twenty-two days. All was done for him that loving hands could do. He leaves to mourn his loss, father, mother, three sisters, one brother, and a host of relatives and friends.

Evangelist D. R. Moreland conducted the funeral service at the Church of God at Elkins W. Va. The Moreland sisters sang several special selections. He was laid to rest in Hazelwood cemetery.

"I cannot say and I will not say. That he is dead, he is just away; With a cheery smile and a wave of his hand, He has wandered into another land."

"Ere sin could blight or sorrow fade, Death came with friendly care, The opening bud to Heaven conveyed, And bade it blossom there."—L. Moreland.

FERRELL

On Jan. 15, the death angel visited our home and claimed our dear mother, Dellar Ferrell, wife of Ike Ferrell. She was born May 22, 1874. She spent most of her married life of thirty-six years, in this community. She was a member of the Christian church, had been unable to attend church for a number of years, but still held on to God. She was a loving mother and true companion. It was hard to give her up but the Lord knows best, so if we live up to our duty, we have hopes of meeting her in a beautiful place where parting never comes.

She leaves to mourn her death a husband, eight children, of this place, one brother, Tilman Campbell of Daylight, Tenn. and a host of friends. I ask the prayers of the Christian people, that we may all live in that bright world together, where no pains or sorrows are. Song and prayer service was conducted by Brother W. A. Gunter.

Look for me, dear mother, When my journey here is o'er, I expect to meet you yonder Where sad partings come no more.

Dear relatives and sinners, Please prepare to meet this one Just inside the celestial city And live on and on. Her daughter, Mrs. Carrie Gunter.

BARNES

On Nov. 10, 1928 the death angel visited the home of Mrs. Mary Norris and claimed for its victim her mother, Sister Nancy Barnes. She leaves to mourn her departure, a mother, one sister, two girls and two boys, besides a host of friends. Sister Barnes was saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost and belonged to the Church of God. I believe she is surely resting in the arms of Jesus. — One who loved her.

Sleep on dear mother, And take your rest; We loved you dearly, But Jesus loved you best.

SAWYERS

On Nov. 10, 1928 the death angel came into the home of J. W. Sawyers on Maple St., and took one of our dear sisters, Virginia Sawyers, age sixty-eight years. She was sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and received into the Church of God July 8, 1925. She was a loyal member and loved the church. The writer had the privilege of visiting her and praying with her during her sickness. She seemed to have no fear of death but bore her suffering with patience and a quiet spirit. We miss her so much in the church, her seat is vacant, but we feel that she has just slipped away a little ahead of us to be with Jesus. It seems that we can almost hear her say,

I have fought the battle wisely, My trials here are o'er; I have said farewell to troubles And gone to the other shore.

So dear children, remember mother And don't forget her prayers; And when we are gathered together yonder

Then you can be with me there.—Mrs. W. B. Davis, clerk, Pulaski, Va.

RUSSELL

On Jan. 15, 1929 at the home of Mr. James A. Lang, the death angel claimed for its victim his dearly loved sister, Annie E. Russell, age sixty-seven years, eleven months and fifteen days. She was sick eight months. Sometimes the people would come two or three times a day to pray for her. She was faithful to the end. For seventeen years she had been a member of the Church of God. She never took any medicine or rubbed any on. She has gone to Heaven

to live with Jesus for ever more. I know that if any one ever lived a true life, she did. She has gone to meet her friends and loved ones. We have to give them up sometimes, but our loss is Heaven's gain.

The funeral was conducted by W. M. Rumlair at the Church of God at 4:30 p. m. Jan. 16, 1929.—One who loved her, Lois Lang.

ROARK

On the evening of March 4, 1929 the death angel visited the home of Sister Maggie Quinlan and bore away the soul of our Sister Sarah E. Roark, age forty-nine years, three months and one day. She leaves to mourn her death a husband, one son, one daughter, an aged mother, four brothers and two sisters. She professed hope in the Saviour at the early age of nineteen. She was not a member of the Church of God but was a strong believer in her teachings.

What is this mystery that men call death? My sister before me lies in all, save breath;

She seems the same as yesterday Her face is so like to life, so calm, Bears not a trace of that great change Which all of us so dread.

I gaze on her and say, She is not dead, but sleeps, And soon she will arise and take me by the hand.

I know she will awake and smile on me as she did yesterday And she will have some gentle word to say, Some kindly deed to do, for loving thoughts

Were warp and woof of which her life was wrought. She is not dead, such souls forever live In boundless measure of the love they give.

She was laid to rest in the East Bernstadt Cemetery to await our Lord. We expect to meet Sister Sarah again. — Her loving sister, Bertie Bance, East Bernstadt, Ky.

CARRELL

On Tuesday morning March 5, 1929 at 9:30 the death angel visited our home and claimed for its victim my beloved husband, John R. Carrell. All was done for him that loving hands could do but God who doeth all things well, called him away to the great beyond. He was laid to rest in the old Hegwood church yard by the side of his darling little girl, little Nellie, there to await the resurrection.

He leaves a loving wife, three sons, six brothers, three sisters and a host of friends. He was sixty years, six months and seven days old. He was sick six weeks and three days. When he first got sick he didn't profess a hope in Christ but he called for prayer several times and when he died he just fell asleep. We believe he fell asleep in Jesus.

Oh that sweet deep sleep; From which none awake to weep; Dear John, you suffered so much while here

We believe God will wipe away all your tears. — His loving wife, Octavia J. Carrell, Summit, Ala.

HAMBRICK

On March 5, 1929 the death angel visited the home of our Sister Hancy Hambrick and claimed for its victim her mother, Nancy Ann. She was born Feb. 2, 1859. She was seventy-three years, three months and three days old. She is survived by four daughters, one son, sixteen grandchildren, eight great grandchildren and a host of friends and other relatives. Sister Hambrick was a member of the Church of God at Graysville, Tenn. for about a year and left a good testimony. She said she was ready to meet Jesus. We weep not as those who have no hope. Our loss is Heaven's gain. Paul said, For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. Her funeral was conducted by the writer in the tabernacle at Graysville, Tenn., and her body laid to rest in the Lone Mountain cemetery to await the resurrection. —E. H. Long.

AMMONS

On Feb. 6, 1929 the death angel visited the home of Mrs. Milley Ammons and claimed for its victim her husband, Mr. David Ammons, age 78 years, 10 months and 13 days. He was seriously sick for four years, but he seemed to bear all his suffering with patience to the end. He professed Christ at the early age of seventeen. He belonged to the Baptist church. He believed in holiness. During his four years of sickness he had the saints of God to pray for him many different times. The Lord saw him

suffer enough and called him to be with Jesus. He leaves to mourn his death, a wife and two sons, Oscar and Frank Ammons, and four brothers and a host of relatives and friends. The body was laid to rest in the Poplar Grove Cemetery to await the resurrection. The funeral was conducted by Brother Lester Beasley. Written by his grand-daughter, Mrs. A. B. Boswell, Bells, Tennessee.

WILLIAMS

On Wednesday afternoon Jan. 16, 1929 at 4:30 o'clock the death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister R. P. Williams and carried the sweet spirit of their darling daughter, Verdie, back to the one who gave it. Sue was born Dec. 7, 1912 and departed this life at the age of sixteen years, one month and nine days. She had been afflicted with some kind of growth for about eighteen months but was taken very ill on Monday before the Lord called her Wednesday. Every thing was done for her that loving hands could do but she had to go. She was a beautiful character, a sweet loving girl with an humble Christ-like spirit, always ready to smile all through her affliction. She never murmured or complained but was cheerful and happy. She didn't depend on any earthly remedies but had her affections set on things above. She trusted God completely to the end, although she was only saved and sanctified until after she was taken seriously sick and had her first convulsion, then she began to pray for God to heal her. In a few minutes after praying for God to heal her, she said, "O God if you won't heal me, do give me the Holy Ghost". She then wonderfully received the Holy Ghost and while she was up shouting and praising God her face shone brightly. She spoke in tongues so sweetly several times. Surely she is robed in white, singing with the angel band the songs of the redeemed.

She said she had rather die than to fail to trust God for her healing. Many prayers were offered for her from time to time, but God needed her to help make heaven brighter. She is greatly missed in the home, church and Sunday School. She was a member of the Church of God which she dearly loved. She was loved by all who knew her. Her departure has caused much grief but we weep not as those who have no hope for we know beyond this vale of tears we can meet her where sickness, pains, affliction and death are not known, but all is joy sublime. She leaves to mourn her sad departure a father, mother, one sister, four brothers and a host of relatives and friends. Funeral services were conducted by Brother Leon Thomas, Brother Oscar Phillips and sister Kate Hall and her body was laid to rest in the Air-line Cemetery.

Dear Verdie, you have left us We know that life was brief; I'm sure your leaving pained us It filled our hearts with grief.

Your dear face from us is gone No more in this world you will roam, But you are sleeping, sweetly sleeping Where death, sad death ne'er comes creeping.

Like the flower just open to the morning ray Nipped by disease's cruel power she fell,

Embraced away there to breathe no tainted air Where falls no darkness of the tomb She proves the loving Saviour's care And blossoms in immortal bloom.

The Lord who gave has called away The bud on earth too bright to stay; His will be done too bound with grief Her parents find this sweet relief, Redeemed from death and freed from pain, Dear Verdie, we hope to meet again.

Paying My Vow

CAIRO, Ga. (Jan. 14)—I am praising the Lord to-day for full and free salvation. I praise Him for sending one of His humble servants so near me until I went to hear him preach. I am proud I accepted the way, for I am saved from sin, sanctified and have the Holy Ghost, the Comforter, that He said He would send to us. I praise the Lord for His great healing

WORKING FOR THE PAPER

VERDONVILLE, W. Va. (De. 26)—

I have thought of writing a testimony concerning the Evangel. I have been a member of the Church of God for seven years and a reader of the Evangel, and it is food to my soul, and it is in my heart to get it into every home that I can. We believe there is no other paper published that will equal the Evangel. The good testimonies are food to our souls. We can hear of good revivals and how God is saving souls and working miracles and healing the sick thru His servants all over the world. It brings joy to our souls. Let us try to get this paper into as many homes as we can. The Evangel declares His doings among the people, of how God is saving, sanctifying and baptizing with the Holy Ghost and healing them, all that call upon the name of the Lord. We feel that this is a great way to get the Gospel published all over the world. Everyone who desires a good work will help get this paper into every home that they can. I have changed my work this year to that of evangelizing for the Evangel, and feel that it is a great need. Some might say, Brother Nicholas, that is too small a work. But I feel that it is a great work, and I feel that I could not do a better work than to publish the Evangel from house to house. It seems small, but Paul said those members of the body, which we think to be the least are honorable. Upon this we bestow more boundless honor. We really think this paper is a member of the body and we feel that it is the leaves of the tree, which John spoke about in Rev. 7:2. In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river was there the tree of life which bare twelve manner of fruits and yielded her fruit every month, and the leaves of this tree were for the healing of the nations.—Otto Nicholas.

Holiness Never Grows Old

HUDSON, Fla. (Dec. 29)—I want to sound a note of praise thru the Evangel I love so well. I am still praising the Lord for the good Holy Ghost which still abides in my life now and speaks for Himself thru me. About two years ago I was driving a big road truck, drawing rock for the hard road, and as I was crossing the railroad track, a freight truck came, making about 45 miles an hour. It tore my truck into pieces and knocked me about 40 feet away, broke my back in the lower part and crushed my right leg and hip. I was thought to be dead, but afterwards life was discovered and they took me up and rushed me to a hospital. There I lay on my back for about four weeks, could not move either of my lower limbs. All thought that I would never walk again, but thank God, Brother Jim Bradley came in one night and laid his hands on me, in the name of Jesus, and the good Lord healed me and I can walk and work now. I am praising God for His mercy toward me. He has healed my body several times. I have been in the Church of God for several years and the good old way of holiness never gets old. I am doing my best to serve God. I pay tithes and give offerings for the benefit of lost souls. We have not got any pastor here but are asking God for one. There is a good work here at Newport-Richey for an evangelist that has a tent. We would be glad for some Church of God preacher to come this way. Pray for us.—J. G. Hatcher.

power. He has healed me and my little girl many times since I have been in this good old way. I am writing this to pay my vow to the Lord for healing me only yesterday, of the flu. I was a member of the Missionary Baptist church for twenty-six years, but when I went and heard holiness preached I knew there was not anything to me. I desire the prayers of all who read this that I may stay humble and true and pray for my loved ones who are out in sin. Your sister in Christ.—Mrs. Bamma White.

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